No further revision is contemplated at present.

(b) The new fiscal incentives to promote housing activity have been announced by the Prime Minister in his Budget Speech.

Cc) This needs detailed examination,

Steel based engineering industries

@2011. SHRIMATT RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a num ber of engineering industries based on steel in the country are sta'rved of steel;

(b) if so, what are the reasons thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government for the adequate supply of raw material to the steel based mgineering industries in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C PANT): (a) There have been some representations regarding inadequate availability of steel from various consumers.

(b) Production shortfalls in certain items have been a major contributory factor.

(c) Imports are being allowed to supplement indigenous availability.

Family pension scheme in HSCL at Bhilai

2012. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the employees of the Hindustan Steel Works Construe, tion Limited (HSCL) at Bhilai are compulsorily covered under the family pension scheme; and

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(b) if so, what are the reasons due to which the dependents of *some* dead employees have hot been given pensions as yet?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) Yes, Sir. The family pension scheme is applicable to all the3 employees of Hindustan Steel. Works Construction Limited including the working at Ehilai, who became members of the Employees Provident Fund Scheme on or after 1st March, 1971;

(b) HSCL has remitted the full amount due upto date in "respect of family pension to the he Regional Provident Fund Commissioner (RPFC). As and when applications are receiv-ed from families of the deceased, these aije verified with reference to the unit's reco'rds and thereafter transmitted to the Regional Provident Fund Commissioner, West Bengal Circle, Calcutta who makes the payment directly to the familv of deceased.

Works executed in HSOL at Bhilai

2013. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the structural mecha nical and electrical works in the HSCL at Bhilai are being executed through contractors instead of by the departmental worke'rs; and

[(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHEIK. C. PANT): (a) No, Sir These works are being executed by fully utilising departmental workers and supplementing them by piece rated workers (on labour con-tract).

(b) There are certain jobs, where adequate number of departmental workers having certain categories of skills are not available to execute the work. As a result it has been necessary to get the work executed by employing contractors to complete the works in time and as per targets. fixed by the client.